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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF: Han et al. :
SERIAL NO.: 09/728,653 :
FILED: December 1, 2000 :
CASE NO.: PH-7118 :
GROUP ART UNIT: 1653 :
EXAMINER: D. Lukton :
FOR: ALPHA-KETOAMIDE INHIBITORS OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS
NS3 PROTEASE

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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FOR INVENTION CONTAINING AMINO ACID SEQUENCE**

Sir:

This response is submitted pursuant to the Office Action dated July 2, 2002, to which a response is due on or before August 2, 2002. A petition for one month extension of time is herewith submitted, thus extending the due time for response until September 2, 2002. Claims 1-20 are pending.

Submitted herewith is/are:

- A. "Sequence Listing(s)" for the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence(s) in this application. Each "Sequence Listing" is assigned a separate identifier as required in 37 C.F.R. §1.821(c) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.822 and 1.823.
- B. A copy of each "Sequence Listing" submitted for this application in computer readable form, in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §§ 1.821(e) and 1.824.
- C. A statement that the content of each "Sequence Listing" submitted and each computer readable copy are the same, as required in 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g).
- D. A copy of the Office Action dated July 2, 2002.
- E. Substitute specification pages 171-179, incorporating the Sequence Identifiers, under 37 CFR 1.125(b).

I hereby state that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence enclosed herein, respectively, and that the Listing does not introduce any new matter.

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